IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Application No.: 10/568,063 **Examiner:** Jolley, Kirsten

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For: SECURITY ELEMENT WITH THIN-LAYER ELEMENT

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 TO OFFICE ACTION OF NOVEMBER 27, 2009

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the Office Action dated November 27, 2009.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

A petition and/or appropriate fee to extend the period of reply by three months are concurrently filed herewith.

An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is also concurrently filed herewith.